Fatal Crash Follow-up

11th and Independence SE

MPD description of crash from press release:

Preliminary investigation revealed that at approximately 12:36 am, a vehicle was travelling at a high rate of speed and crashed into another vehicle at listed location. The impact caused the vehicles to strike multiple parked vehicles. Following the collision, two occupants exited the first vehicle and fled on foot. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services responded to the crash and located a passenger inside of the first vehicle. The passenger was pronounced dead on the scene and transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

Crash information (Source: MPD)

Date of crash	5/4/20
Crash Complaint Number (CCN)	20067162
Type of crash	Single Vehicle

Historical crash data, nearest intersection, 2017-19 (Source: MPD crash database)

Crashes	9
Fatalities	0
Injuries	7
Pedestrians involved	0
Bicyclists involved	0
Motorcyclists involved	0







Site visit notes

- Date of site visit: 5/13/20
- DDOT divisions present: Traffic Operations & Safety; Planning (Active Transportation team); Community Engagement; Traffic Engineering & Signals; Vision Zero
- Other agencies present: MPD
- Street Design Context: Signalized intersection

Factors observed on site visit:

High speeds

Next steps

Short-term DDOT action items (timetables pending):

- Add signage along Independence Ave, including signs indicating Wrong Way.
- Pavement marking improvements.

Further DDOT evaluations (timetables TBD):

- Following fatal crashes, DDOT collects data and gathers information to inform potential interventions that would improve safety at the location.
- Evaluate 11th St for curb extensions and protected intersection treatments.



